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## Intelligent Data Storage Device

### **Abstract of the Disclosure**

5           A data storage device includes a microprocessor running a general-purpose operating  
system including an application program. Included is memory storing the operating system and  
application program. The data storage device includes mass storage, is connected to a  
communication network, and an input/output module communicates with a node connected to the  
communication network. The data storage device is assembled in a form factor assembly not  
10 greater than three and one half (3 1/2) inches.